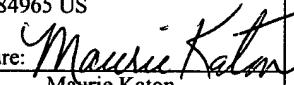




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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Yukako Nii

Application No.: 09/499,401

Group Art Unit: 2174

Filed: February 7, 2000

Examiner: Vu, Thanh T

For: Information Processing Apparatus And Method With Graphical User Interface Allowing Processing Condition To Be Set By Drag And Drop, And Medium On Which Processing Program Thereof Is Recorded

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.136(a))**

**Box CPA**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of one month from March 19, 2003 to April 19, 2003.
2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:  
 [X] is filed herewith.  
 [ ] has been filed.  
 [ ] has not been filed.  
  
 [X] The response is the filing of a continuation application having an express abandonment conditioned on the granting of a filing date to the continuing application.
3. Applicant is  
 [ ] a small entity. A statement:  
 [ ] is attached.  
 [ ] was already filed.  
 [ X ] other than a small entity.

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## 4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(1)-(5)):

Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
[ ] one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
[X] two months	\$ 410.00	\$ 205.00
[ ] three months	\$ 930.00	\$ 465.00
[ ] four months	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 725.00
[ ] five months	\$ 1,970.00	\$ 985.00

Fee \$410.00

[X] An extension for 1 months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of \$110.00 is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$300.00

## 5. Extended period for response

Based on the extension requested in this petition (and that for which a previous petition has been filed, if any), the extended period for response will expire on April 19, 2003.

Date

## 6. Fee Payment

[ X ] Attached is a check in the sum of \$300.00.

[ X ] Charge Account 04-1105 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

[ ] Charge fee to Account No. \_\_\_\_\_. This is a request to charge for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

A duplicate copy of this petition is attached.

Dated: April 18, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

By \_\_\_\_\_

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